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FROM : General Counsel

SUBJECT:

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1. CIA suggested the following language in place of words referring to communications intelligence:

"By departments of the Military Establishment and the Central Intelligence Agency, designated by the President for this purpose".

Captain Goodwin suggested to Mr. Larkin that it might be preferable to use the following:

"By departments and agencies of the United States Government, designated by the President for this purpose".

2. The argument is that this does not inferentially freeze out FBI and State and that the limitation to foreign communications is sufficient to meet the Department of Justice's objection that the agencies to engage in this activity were too vaguely defined.

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